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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: SANG MODERNIZATION PROPOSAL - VULCAN GUNS

REF: JIDDA 5594 AND 5595

FOR DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ATHERTON

1. WE ARE REPEATING JIDDA REFTELS TO YOU. PLEASE NOTE
PARA 5 JIDDA 5595 ASKS FOR DECISION ON WHETHER TO OFFER
VULCAN TO SAUDI ARABIAN NATIONAL GUARD BY DECEMBER 22.
AMBASSADOR AKINS IS DEFERRING TRANSMITTAL OF THIS OFFER
PER HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH YOU IN RIYADH.

2. YOU SHOULD BE AWARE THAT DECISION TO AUTHORIZE
EMBASSY JIDDA TO OFFER VULCAN ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN SYSTEM TO
SAUDI NATIONAL GUARD (STATE 244585) WAS TAKEN PURSUANT TO
DISCUSSION BETWEEN ACTING SECRETARY OF STATE AND DEPUTY
SECRETARY OF DEFENSE. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR RECOMMENDATION
WHETHER CONTINUED DEFERRAL TRANSMITTAL OF THIS OFFER

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OF WHICH WE MAY NOT BE AWARE. RUSH

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